

Troop 3, Camden Presents a “Year in Review” to the Communities We Serve







The Delaware State Police Troop 3 Administration held a community meeting on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at the Troop located at 3759 South State Street, Camden. Troopers were privileged to have hosted a Town Hall Meeting where the public was provided with an overview of the great work done by the men and women of DSP Troop 3 in 2017. Achieving a 35.7% reduction in Robberies, a 20.8% reduction in Burglaries, a 16.7% reduction in Thefts, as well as a 3.4% reduction in overall crashes simply exemplifies the exceptional work the troopers are doing. Moreover, when you examine many of our clearance rates of crime against the national averages, we demonstrate a deep desire to solve our crime. A Robbery clearance rate of 61.1% versus the national average of 29.3%, a Burglary clearance rate of 39.4% versus the national average of 13.1%, and a Theft clearance rate of 42% versus the national average of 20.4% clearly shows the dedication of our troopers to solve crime when it occurs.

Equally important to our crime fighting and traffic enforcement measures is our commitment to suppress and prevent crime through our Community Outreach and Engagement efforts. In 2017, Troop 3 embarked on several community based programs to build trust, open lines of communication, foster positive and open relationships that are inclusive of all citizens and the police, all aimed at crime reduction and making our

communities as safe as possible. Programs such as STaRS (State Troopers actively Reaching Students), Honorary Commander, Community Café's, It's Cool to go back to School, working with Meals on Wheels, having our Mounted Patrol Unit patrolling on horseback in many of our communities and Operation Troopers have Your BACKpack are some examples. These pro-active efforts allow our troopers to engage the community in non-traditional law enforcement ways that leads to a better understanding of the Delaware State Police, builds trust amongst our communities, and legitimizes our role as law enforcement officers while providing a better understanding of the various cultures that exist within our communities across Kent County.

We truly appreciate the standing room only crowd and the many state and local legislators who gave up their Thursday evening to come out and learn more about DSP Troop 3.

Captain Joshua A. Bushweller, Troop 3 Commander Delaware State Police

[Troop 3 STaRS Program – State Troopers Actively Reaching Students](#)

[Honorary Commander Ceremony](#)

[Troop 3 Host Community Cafe](#)

[Troopers Say It's Cool to go Back to School](#)

[Delaware State Police Community Outreach 3rd Annual Operation Backpack Community Project](#)

[Troop 3 Kent County Spreading Holiday Cheer – Meals on Wheels](#)

Presented by the Director of Public Information Sergeant Richard Bratz

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